

Prices and Prospects.

THE COKE MARKET IS STAGNANT BUT WELL REGULATED

Occasional Suspensions of Shipments by Consumers on Contract, but

NO NEW INQUIRIES FOR COKE

In Spite of the Very Unfavorable Conditions Prices are Well Maintained. Pig Iron Market Prospects Said to be Worse Than Ever.

Special to The Weekly Courier.
PITTSBURG, Sept. 16.—With the pig iron and steel markets decidedly quiet for several weeks, now buying almost at a standstill and mill and furnace operations tending to decrease rather than increase, the Connellsville coke market has naturally been stagnant. There is no inquiry for either prompt or contract coke, and offerings of coke are equally absent. As is so often stated, production is being regulated to demand, but at the present juncture it would seem difficult for producers to turn any other course, as the market has no absorbing power, irrespective of price. It is merely a question of supplying coke to consumers on old contracts, as there are no new consumers, and the furnaces in operation are receiving ample shipments. Occasionally it is necessary to ask shipments to be suspended for a few days, as now and then a producer overruns in a contract, or a furnace succeeds in getting along with less coke than formerly.

While there have been occasional rumors of prompt furnace coke being offered at cut prices such rumors are not substantiated and it appears that coke sellers are simply waiting until actual demand develops. The market is quotable on the basis formerly prevailing, as follows:

Prompt furnace \$1.70 @ \$1.75
Contract furnace \$1.75 @ \$1.80
Prompt foundry \$2.25 @ \$2.30
Contract foundry \$2.30 @ \$2.35

There is no speculation, of course, as to what prices would actually be done in case real live inquiry should be made. It is quite possible that the figures named above would be shaken by a few days, but the fact remains that no such inquiry has been reported.

Since a few merchant furnaces went out of blast early in the month there are no reports of merchant furnaces going out. There was some curtailment even in August, as the iron age blast furnace report for that month shows a decrease of 4% in August from the July rate of merchant furnace pig iron production. At the same time the output of pig iron by the steel works furnaces increased 4%, showing a curious divergence. Predictions are that September will show a decrease in pig iron production, and therefore a decrease in consumption, for both classes of furnaces.

CLOSE BIG PLANT

Baldwin Locomotive Company Shuts Down Edgemoor Works.
Lack of orders is given as the reason for the closing of the Baldwin Locomotive Company's entire works in Edgemoor, Pa., for an indefinite period. Some of the employees had hoped to be transferred to the plant in Philadelphia, but were informed that the lack of work would make the services of the entire force in Edgemoor unnecessary.

In normal times the Edgemoor plant gives employment to several thousand men, but recently the force had been greatly cut down and work on part time. The officials of the company stated that the small amount of work made the shutdown necessary, and that the war did not have anything to do with it.

Dividends Stale.
The Bethlehem Steel Corporation is earning in excess of their preferred dividends at the present time, and does not expect any immediate results from the European conflict.

STEEL TRADE OUTLOOK NOT VERY ENCOURAGING

Export Business Has Failed to Come and Domestic Demand Has Declined.

Special to The Weekly Courier.
NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will review the steel and iron situation tomorrow as follows: Export steel trade has amounted to practically nothing this fall, and expectations of any important trade in this direction are contemplative more and more distant times in the future. While there are not bottomless markets in the market for the export of long trade, the fact remains that there is more vessel room than cargoes. The foremost obstacle at the moment is the inability of possible foreign buyers to make payment, as the system of exchange is completely broken down by the war, has not been restored even in small measure. An exception, of course, should be made of England, but as indicated in our reports all along, there were never good grounds for expectations that any large export trade would develop with England. The early inquiry from England was not large, though steadily maintained in some reports, and it was quickly developed that the prices quoted were too high to arouse much interest.

Domestic buying has fallen off so rapidly that iron and steel producers are now much more concerned in the loss of domestic business than they are in export prospects. There is no new business and railroad buying and all large projects are held in abeyance. Even those buyers whose purchases are strictly routine, for ordinary everyday consumption, are purchasing an extremely conservative course. This is well illustrated by the case of some buyers who have contracts at certain figures for the present quarter, and at higher prices for fourth quarter, and who are not specifying liberally even on their lower priced contracts, which will expire in a fortnight.

Steel production is now at not over 40% of capacity, at the outside, and promises to drop below 30% within a few weeks as the total workings of shipping orders is now at a rate well below 50% of capacity. It is extremely maintained all along the line, but are not being seriously tested since the material being taken is almost entirely against old contracts.

COAL MARKET BRISK

Local Demand Disperses Bulkiness of Pittsburgh District.

The bituminous coal market in the Pittsburgh district is being kept slightly more active in the last few days, as the result of increased demand for domestic purposes. Dealers in Pittsburgh and outlying towns have been figuring in the market, stocking fuel for winter requirements. The general trade, however, has reflected an improvement.

The war has not directly affected that district, although negotiations have been opened in a number of cases for shipment to South American ports. Operations in the West Virginia fields have taken an active interest in South American trade, and it is reported that some fuel has been sold in that territory for export. The Italian government, which has been taking comparative heavy losses, is reported to be negotiating for one of the more prominent brands of coal.

Dealers at Pittsburgh continue to sell tonnages at 10 and 75 cents a ton over circular prices. Stock is being held at a range from 35 to 60 cents a ton, mine run is quotable at \$1.20, 3/4 inch at \$1.35 and 1/4 inch at \$1.50 a ton at the mine in this district.

Mine operations are estimated at about 70 per cent of normal capacity. There is no room for decline in the market, having been thoroughly shaken out long ago. Ore shipments this season have been light, and while current pig iron prices are based upon this season's reduced prices for ore, the fact is that the pig iron made now is from ore brought down in previous seasons. It is contended that next season's ore prices cannot be lower than those for the 1914 season, and may possibly be higher.

The fact remains that the pig iron market outlook is decidedly unsatisfactory, so far as present indications go, the furnaces are adhering firmly to prices formerly quoted and represent that there is no room for decline in the market, having been thoroughly shaken out long ago. Ore shipments this season have been light, and while current pig iron prices are based upon this season's reduced prices for ore, the fact is that the pig iron made now is from ore brought down in previous seasons. It is contended that next season's ore prices cannot be lower than those for the 1914 season, and may possibly be higher.

STATIONS ABANDONED.

Pennsylvania Discontinues Passenger Service in the Coke Region.

A general notice by General Superintendent L. L. O'Donnell of the Western Pennsylvania grand division of the Pennsylvania railroad, made public yesterday, conveys intelligence of the abandonment of the following places, located on the Pittsburgh division, as passenger stations: Waverly, Old Stand, Brinkerton, Sheep, United, Trauger, Udel, Hoot, Mutual, Culm, Rumbach, Mammoth, Pleasant Valley, Rosine, Shunkville, Leth, Pennville, Chambers and Hiddle.

The order will become effective October 3 in respect of all stations named except the last four, which will be closed two days later.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Franklin Coke Company Stockholders Hold Their Annual Meeting.
MONTHLY MEETING, September 15. The stockholders of the Franklin Coke Company of Fayette county held its regular annual meeting at the office of James S. Bradlock here yesterday.

The election of officers was held and James S. Bradlock was elected president; T. Scott Dunn of Connellsville, vice president; Howard Bradlock, secretary; and Dr. G. B. Robert of Vandyke, treasurer.

TWO MINES CLOSED.

The two mines of the Four States Coal & Coke Company at Dorothy, W. Va., on Coal River have been closed for an indefinite period. About 600 men have been thrown out of work.

Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION	WEEK ENDING SEPT. 12, 1914.	WEEK ENDING SEPT. 5, 1914.
DISTRICT	Ovens, In, Out, Tons.	Ovens, In, Out, Tons.
Connellsville	20,820 11,700 9,120 10,615	20,820 11,604 9,156 151,930
Lower Connellsville	17,135 8,277 8,858 10,110	17,135 8,044 8,091 115,940
Totals	37,955 19,977 17,978 20,725	37,955 20,708 17,247 267,870
FURNACE OVENS.		
Connellsville	16,017 9,572 7,015 121,050	16,017 9,536 7,081 122,700
Lower Connellsville	5,552 3,218 2,801 41,100	5,552 3,218 2,801 41,100
Totals	22,169 12,820 9,816 162,150	22,169 12,820 9,816 162,150
STEEL PLANT OVENS.		
Connellsville	1,203 2,128 2,075 25,583	1,203 2,128 2,075 25,583
Lower Connellsville	11,538 5,039 6,444 63,240	11,538 5,039 6,444 63,240
Totals	12,741 7,167 8,519 88,823	12,741 7,167 8,519 88,823
SHIPMENTS.		
To Pittsburgh	2,712 Cops.	2,083 Cops.
To Points West of Pittsburgh	3,392 Cops.	3,247 Cops.
To Points East of the Region	817 Cops.	910 Cops.
Totals	6,921 Cops.	7,240 Cops.

RAILROADS RENEW THEIR FIGHT FOR A RATE INCREASE

File New Request for a 5 Per Cent Advance in Washington.

THEIR PLIGHT IS SERIOUS

Managers Point to Past Sums That Will Be Due Before End of Another Year and to the Steadily Declining Revenues Which They Now Face.

WASHINGTON, September 16.—All the railroads in official classification category—those traversing the United States east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers to the Atlantic seaboard, and those traversing the United States west of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers to the Pacific coast—have filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission asking that they be permitted to make effective a 5 per cent increase in freight rates.

This amounts to a request for the reopening of the 5 per cent rate case decided by the commission a few weeks ago. The railroads have their petition on the grounds shown in the operations for the fiscal year which ended June 30, and on a side effect decrease in July, the first month of the new fiscal year, and on the unprecedented slump in revenues for August.

The petition was filed late yesterday by United Way of the United States, and it is expected that the commission will act on this application, and that the proceedings will be continued to such an extent. It is the belief that the commission already has issued an order for a 5 per cent advance rate case to decide the question.

Railroad men contend that the developments as a result of the European war have been such as to place on the part of the government a side effect position. Unless something is done to give them relief it is contended the outlook is decidedly "abominable."

The report movement has been very much curtailed and the feeling of unrest throughout the entire country has brought about curtailment in all lines so that shipments of commodities other than agricultural products are now on a restricted basis.

The movement of manufacturers as well as miscellaneous products all over the country is now confined within such narrow limits as to have resulted in a falling off of railroad revenues from this source, sufficient to more than offset the increase that is being shown in earnings from other classes of freight.

The relief provided in well informed railroad circles that this condition will prevail indefinitely as it is believed that, even though the European situation may brighten, it will take a long time for business to recover and assume anything like normal proportions.

President Wilson has called the attention of the country to the emergency confronting the railroads of the country and urged sympathetic co-operation on the part of the public with the carriers in sustaining their credits. The President used the medium of a letter to the grand ball chairman of the National Association of Railroad Presidents who called on him to discuss the condition of the railroads.

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SHIP COAL BY CANAL.

The Lehigh Valley & Wilkes-Barre Coal Company have made a shipment of 1,000 tons of egg coal to San Francisco through the Panama Canal. This is the first shipment of anthracite over this route.

DUNBAR FURNACE READY NEXT WEEK; ORE ON THE WAY

First Consignment of Manganeses is Expected Today.

200 CARS ARE ON THE WAY

Coke Men Hear That By-Product Fuel From the Semel-Selvey Plant May Not Be Used, but Officials at the Manganeses Company are Silent.

The stocks of the Dunbar furnace, now owned by the American Manganeses Company, are expected to be cleared next week, according to reliable information. Everything is virtually ready for the torch to be applied to the stacks as soon as the material arrives.

It is noted that 200 cars of manganeses ore are now on the way from the 2100 acre tract of the company in the Virginia range of Minnesota. The first of these is expected today, and the others will follow rapidly, having started on the four or five days ago.

For the past several weeks a large force of men has been employed getting the furnace and its equipment in shape for remaining operations, and this work has practically been completed. As soon as the ore arrives the stacks will be charged and it is likely that the torch will be applied to them early next week.

It is said that the company has a ready market for all of the ferro-manganese that it can produce, owing to the European war the imports of this material, which is an important factor in the manufacture of steel, have been seriously curtailed. Ferro-manganese is in demand, and prices are now at a high level, indicating that the American Manganeses Company is in a particularly fortunate position in this respect.

It was reported among coke men of the Connellsville region that the Dunbar furnace would not use by-product coke from the Semel-Selvey plant, which is located on a property owned by the American Manganeses Company. Information as to this could not be obtained from the offices of the furnace company yesterday.

It was learned from one source not connected with the furnace company that no arrangements have as yet been made for the fuel supply, and from another that by-product coke will be used. A coke man who is familiar with the manufacture of ferro-manganese is quoted as saying that it can be successfully manufactured only through the use of coke of the highest quality, and that by-product coke did not measure up to the required standard.

If the American Manganeses Company decides to use by-product coke, the result of its experience in this direction will be watched closely by the operators of the Connellsville region.

BOPE OPTIMISTIC

Carnegie Steel Official Looks for Better Business.

Sounding an optimistic note as to the future of American exports of iron and steel products, Colonel H. P. Bope, vice president and general manager of sales of the Carnegie Steel Company, addressed the monthly meeting of the Pittsburgh Foundrymen's Association here last night.

"The biggest problem today," he said, "is how we can get the railroads out of their present financial condition. I am not an optimist. We are looking for a great increase in the consumption of steel for construction use because of the development of the country. The Pennsylvania's 125-pound rail is an instance. The heavier rail will mean heavier construction and probably a steel the weight we want in America is not boom times, but a long period of normal prosperity."

BUILDING NEW ROAD.

A new road is being constructed by the West Virginia Pulp & Lumber Co. to connect with the Chesapeake & Ohio canal at Chesapeake, Ohio railroad in Webster county, and is built for the purpose of developing a 22,000 acre tract of timber land.

MINERS WORKERS SUE.

The Bachman-Cook Coal Company of Port Smith, Ark., have entered suit against the United Mine Workers, claiming \$1,234,462 damages. The suit is based on the destruction of the coal company's property.

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NEW CANAL OPERATION.

The Ohio Canal Coal Company expect to open its 11.5-foot vein of coal underlying 1,200 acres in Bedford township, near Charleston, O., within the next few weeks.

Production and Output.

THE UPPER CONNELLSVILLE AND GREENSBURG REGIONS

Increase Their Western Shipments Somewhat and Hold on to Eastern Business.

The Upper Connellsville and Greensburg, Connellsville, regions seem to be standing the steady better than their neighbors to the south. They have increased their western business several thousand tons and hold on to their eastern business. This is increasing their output to over 27,000 tons. Neither district seems to be stocking any coke. The Greensburg region continues to operate its ovens to approximate capacity, but reports indicate that the coke will be sold in the active market this week.

The shipments from these regions for the week ending Saturday, September 12th, were as follows:

	Upper Conn.	West.	Total
Sept. 12	5,395	16,230	21,625
Sept. 11	5,155	15,714	20,869

The shipments from these districts for 1914 to date were as follows:

Week	Upper Conn.	West.	Total
Jan. 5	71,882	20,900	92,782
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Jan. 26	71,882	20,900	92,782
Feb. 2	71,882	20,900	92,782
Feb. 9	71,882	20,900	92,782
Feb. 16	71,882	20,900	92,782
Feb. 23	71,882	20,900	92,782
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ket, according to the report of the wage committee of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel & Tin Workers, reached its severest form in 16 years during July and August of this year.

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING,
UNIONTOWN, PA.**

Graceton Coke Co.

FOUNDRIY COKE

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Our Foundry Coke is unexcelled by any. Its low sulphur and ash and high fixed carbon make it superior to many. It has the ability to give high melting ratios in your foundry.

CONTRACTOR SUES FOR BALANCE DUE ON NEW BUILDING

**Begin Action When Work
Is Halted by Dispute
Over Title.**

WIDOW WANTS TIMBER LAND

**Mrs. Catherine Stuckel Declares That
Her Husband Acted as Her Agent in
Buying Springfield Township Land;
Other News of the County Courts.**

UNIONTOWN, September 12.—Suits were entered today by W. W. Korn, a Conneltsville contractor, against Elizabeth J. Freese, Louella, Barbara Ida M. Goodwin and the Young Valley Realty Company to recover \$2,018.48 alleged to be due on the contract for a building at Conneltsville, Pa. The suit was filed in the county court. The three women are declared to have let the contract, while all are described as the "owners or reputed owners" of three lots on Baldwin avenue. The suit grows out of an alleged agreement which resulted when the Young Valley Realty Company began an action to secure the delivery of a deed to one of the lots on which the building is being erected.

Catherine Stuckel has begun an action in equity against the Young Valley Realty Company of Conneltsville, guardian of William D. Ida Allison and Gladys Stuckel, minor children of the late Frederick W. Stuckel, to recover possession of 85 acres of timber land in Springfield township. Mrs. Stuckel sets forth that her husband bought this land from William Cox for \$4,000, and that in doing so he was acting as her agent. She says that she is ready to pay over to the estate \$207.55 that is still due on the purchase.

James T. Campbell pleaded guilty to illicit relationship with Mrs. James Hill, Hill being the prosecutor. Edward Bradley, the aged man charged by Nora Custer with assault and battery with intent, was acquitted of the indictment against him and the costs were divided between the defendant and the prosecutor.

William Groves of Republic, charged by Mike Liska with assault and battery with intent for an alleged attack on Annie Liska, a daughter of the prosecutor, was found guilty. He applied for a new trial.

Ludwig Shultz was arraigned before Judge Van Swearingen on a charge of assault and battery, aggravated assault and battery with intent. The information was made by Michael Collins. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty and divided the costs.

Elizabeth A. Jockwell was granted a divorce from Louis E. Backwell on the grounds of desertion. The couple were married June 16, 1885, in Georges township.

Harry Fee entered a plea of guilty to assault and battery for beating his wife, Mrs. Susie Fee. He was given a hearing on a charge of desertion and non-support, before Judge Van Swearingen. Fee was sentenced to pay his wife \$2 a week, giving bond of \$200 or undergo an indeterminate sentence in the Allegheny county workhouse on the desertion and non-support charge and was sentenced to pay the costs in the assault and battery count.

Dorcas Richardson, who was prosecutor against O. P. Burns on an assault and battery charge, had the bill ignored by the grand jury and was sentenced to pay the costs. Frank Berry, charged by Mrs. G. W. Connor with abducting from a boarding bill, was sentenced to pay the costs.

Druggist Spaulding, who charged Mike Nichols with assault and battery with intent, and which bill was ignored, was sentenced to pay the costs. The justice in this case was deprived of his costs.

Following a dispute over the boundary lines of two properties on Maple street, the case of Mrs. Philip Connelly, charged by Mrs. Corn Horner with malicious mischief, was called before Judge Unbel yesterday afternoon. The jury which heard the case returned a verdict of not guilty and divided the costs.

William Brown, a negro, was found guilty on two charges of false pretense, one preferred by William Chinter of Conneltsville, who alleged that he sold him a \$30 stove in the belief that he owned a farm, and the other brought by J. L. Stader, the Conneltsville liverman, who claimed that the defendant had possession of a horse and carriage for two months for which he failed to pay rent.

When the grand jury returned a true bill against Frank and Ralph Raymond on a charge of larceny a notation was made recommending the two men to the mercy of the court at the suggestion of the owner.

Harry Decker was convicted of assault and battery and sentenced to pay the costs and serve 30 days. John Reiley was the prosecutor.

Violent Wilson, charged with aggravated assault and battery by Mrs. Mary Malone, was acquitted by a jury with the costs.

Robert Hurr, pleaded guilty to a charge of assault and battery preferred by John Mackley.

UNIONTOWN, Sept. 14.—When the second week of criminal court convened this morning Judge Unbel announced that the rule to stay the proceedings in the suit of W. W. Korn against the Young Valley Realty Company had been refused. The defendants contended that the Fayette county courts lacked jurisdiction, but were overruled.

William E. DeBoit was appointed judge of election for the seventh ward, Conneltsville, succeeding Roy Bowers, removed.

The first case taken up before Judge Van Swearingen was that of nine farmers from Fayette City charged with assault and battery on Joe Neidelsch. The nine are alleged to have beaten up the complainant during a riot at his house.

James Bradshaw was placed on trial for malicious mischief and assault and battery, M. J. Mondalek, a Uniontown

pool room keeper, being the prosecutor. James Lewis was also put on trial for assault and battery on Robert Tolbert. Both were convicted. Lewis was sentenced to pay the costs, while Bradshaw was sent to the Allegheny county workhouse.

Among the petit jurors for the second week of September court are John Bailey, Calvin Brown, Edgar Bryner, James Doyle, R. C. Davis, Frank C. Hoss, L. Work, Clyde Whiteley, of Conneltsville, and W. T. Bowlin and C. G. Langford, South Conneltsville.

The grand jury of last week, of which A. E. Kurtz of Conneltsville was foreman, acted on 197 indictments, of which 88 were returned true bills, 28 ignored, the other cases having been withdrawn. Four hundred and forty-eight witnesses were examined and two road petitions were acted on. The grand jury approved the improvement of the public road in Washington township leading from Redstone Presbyterian church to Gulespie. The paving is to be of tar and macadam and will cost approximately \$7,500.

The paving of a public road in Fayette township, from South Brownsville to the Monongahela river, with brick, was also approved, the job to cost \$25,998.80.

The case in which John H. Brown, a New Salem merchant, was charged with assault and battery by Vincent Pastore of Republic, was tried Saturday afternoon and a verdict of not guilty returned. The charge grew out of an accident at Republic July 17, in which a son of the prosecutor was knocked down and slightly injured by an automobile driven by Brown.

UNIONTOWN, September 15.—Judge Unbel's court was occupied the entire morning with the case of George Ryland, 17 years old, who is charged with attempting to procure a party at which both were guests. John Gray was acquitted of the charge of making a criminal attack upon Mrs. James Piper of Dunbar, the woman's husband being the prosecutor but was found guilty of having had improper relations with the woman.

Lloyd Murphy pleaded guilty to improper relations with Mary Ower, the woman's husband being the prosecutor but was found guilty of having had improper relations with the woman.

George Ryland was placed on trial this afternoon for open lewdness. Theresa Grubel being the prosecutor. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty and divided the costs.

Mike Osebocky and Andy Albert were found not guilty of assault and battery, but were directed to pay the costs.

Ira McHugh, Harry Gadsdara and David Turner, all of Fairbairn, were acquitted of malicious mischief, but directed to pay the costs. J. Humphreys was the prosecutor.

The charges against J. H. Sweeney of Conneltsville for selling adulterated milk were quashed. The prosecution dropped the case, admitting that the act of 1909 covering it is not constitutional.

In the large courtroom, before Judge Van Swearingen, John Gray was placed on trial on a charge of attacking Mrs. James Piper, the woman's husband being the prosecutor. Through two rules granted against them by Judge Unbel, Reta E. Carter and Josephine Carter, who recently filed suits against Gray, D. Howell, a former local attorney, are compelled to file along with their original statements of claims such contracts and agreements as were made by the defendant and the defendant's attorney, whereby he agreed to repurchase certain stocks and bonds which he gave in part payment for lands purchased in Jefferson township. The plaintiffs are given ten days in which to file the contracts and documents and the defendant is given fifteen days from that date in which to file his affidavit of defense or demurr.

Bessie Shout, arraigned on charges of assault and battery, preferred by Mrs. Mary E. Sullivan of Republic, because Bessie slapped Charles Sullivanberger, the young son of the prosecutor, was acquitted. The jury placed one-third of the costs on Miss Shout and two-thirds of the costs on Mrs. Sullivanberger.

Shorlock Holmes, a negro from Leith, was arraigned before Judge Unbel charged with assault and battery by Charles Stewart, another negro, and was acquitted by the jury. Holmes was sentenced to pay one-half of the costs and Stewart the other half.

Herman McGraw of Dunbar township, was placed on trial before Judge Unbel, charged with assault and battery by his father, William McGraw. The jury acquitted the son and placed one-half of the costs on the father and the other half on the son.

Phillip Perkovitch, accused of immorality by George Achimovitch, entered a plea of guilty yesterday afternoon and was sentenced by Judge Unbel to pay a fine of \$25 and costs. The man went to jail in default of sufficient funds to meet the costs and fine.

The jury which heard the case of the Fayette City rioters which commenced the greater part of the day yesterday before Judge Van Swearingen returned a verdict finding Amie Karomir, Terrence Zigdon not guilty and finding Charles Zigdon, Paul Duder, Andy Karomir, Roy Rodick and Mike Karomir guilty as indicted.

Mrs. Rosie Roman, charged by Mike Steuck with assault and battery, and aggravated assault and battery, was arraigned yesterday afternoon. The jury which heard the testimony returned a verdict finding Mrs. Roman not guilty and placing three-fourths of the costs on her and one-fourth of the costs on the prosecutor.

Through an order handed down in the case of J. DeLeon against G. W. Crow et al the rule recently granted to show cause why judgment should not be entered against T. Blair Palmer and the Wheeling Centre Coal Company for equity of G. W. Crow was refused. The rule was granted on the payment of a note for \$310 with accrued interest, was made absolute.

Attorney E. D. Munson was appointed master to take testimony in

the divorce proceeding of Charles E. Miller and Laura M. Miller.

UNIONTOWN, Sept. 14.—In the case in which Isaac C. Taylor, Harvey E. Stockton, Isaac A. Taylor and James Kieley, the late John C. Conneltsville, were accused of arson in connection with the burning of the home of John Kilpatrick at Vaugher Hollow on August 8, the jury returned a verdict this afternoon acquitting Isaac Taylor and James Kieley, but finding Isaac C. Taylor and Stockton guilty.

Isaac C. Taylor practically confessed that he and his companions set fire to the house, after being offered \$20 to do it. He blamed, however, that Isaac A. Taylor, his nephew, was at home at the time.

Frank Velez was found guilty of carrying concealed weapons, but Joseph Deane, Samuel C. Carble and Joe Wallace were acquitted of the same charge. Harry J. Hart was the prosecutor.

It is charged that after an altercation at Ferry on Sunday night, during which one of the party fired a shot at Special Officer Staty when he sought to arrest them, the men fled up Vaugher Hollow and came into the Kilpatrick house. After entering the house and setting it on fire, they could, it is charged, that they secured a can of kerosene and saturated part of the wood work. A hatch was then applied and the house burned down.

The Taylor family is said to be related to Jacob Taylor, now awaiting trial in the Allegheny county court for the murder of Little Florence Dove at Hardsburg last day. Isaac A. is a nephew of Isaac C. Taylor.

Dr. C. H. Sherry of Conneltsville was acquitted of assault and battery on Harry M. Spritzer, better known as "Malinspring" Spritzer. He was directed to pay the costs.

The prosecutor, however, of \$200, the pair had a dispute over removing "Malinspring" from a window of the Woodworth building in Conneltsville and the prosecution resulted.

Frank Kalitz of Republic was found guilty of assault and battery on John Yurasek, but not guilty of intent to rob.

Steve Beck of New Edison was convicted of assault and battery on his wife, Mary, but not guilty of non-support.

John Dosta and George Hornosh were tried for assault and battery on Steve Strone.

LEISENRING'S CHURCH IS TO CELEBRATE 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Parish of Father J. J. Greaney Will Hold a Silver Jubilee This Week.

Extensive arrangements are being made by Rev. Father J. J. Greaney, pastor and the congregation of St. Vincent de Paul Church at Leisenring for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the parish, to be held Thursday on the eighth grounds. Former pastors and former members are expected.

St. Vincent de Paul Church was built in the fall of 1889 and dedicated in December of that year by Rt. Rev. Richard Phelan, late Bishop of Pittsburgh. The church was erected by the Rev. D. J. Mahoney, then pastor at Dunbar, and attended by him as a mission until the following year.

Three acres of ground had been donated to the church by the late John Mahoney, and three more acres were afterwards donated by the H. C. Price Coke Company for a cemetery.

In September 1889, Leisenring was founded by Father Greaney and made an independent parish. Rev. P. J. Keenan, now rector of St. John's Church, Leisenring, was appointed the first pastor. He erected a parish house on the hill overlooking the church. The building was burned down, but the popular among the young people of this section, was later built by Father Hines, now in Pittsburg. The other pastors at Leisenring were Rev. James A. Kennedy of Johnstown, Rev. Peter A. Brady of Johnstown, Rev. Thomas Gilman and Rev. Daniel McCarthy of Pittsburgh. The next rector, Rev. Joseph Brennan, died in September, 1911, and was succeeded by Father Greaney.

Leisenring has been the nursery and training school of a whole host of men now prominent in the coke region, and a special invitation has been sent to them all to attend the anniversary reunion on Thursday of this week that is to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of St. Vincent de Paul parish.

Solemn high mass at which former pastors of the parish are to officiate will be celebrated Thursday morning at 10:30. Rev. D. J. Mahoney of Holy Rosary Church, Pittsburgh, will preach the jubilee sermon.

SHOOTING VICTIM DIES

The Henry Mann, Shot While Sitting In Home, Succumbs to Wound.

The shooting at Eliz Henry Sunday resulted in a murder when Andy Mahoney, the victim, died at a hospital Monday afternoon at the Cottage State Hospital. Mahoney was admitted to the hospital Sunday night in a critical condition. He was brought to Conneltsville late Sunday afternoon and the two foreigners who accompanied him returned to Eliz Henry on a later train, leaving the injured man in care of an employee at the Baltimore & Ohio station.

One of Mahoney's companions stated that he was sitting in a chair at his home when another foreigner came into the room and shot him. The bullet entered his abdomen and lodged in his left hip.

The body was removed to Funeral Director J. B. Sims and prepared for burial. As yet no arrangements have been made for the burial. Corner 11 J. Bell came to Conneltsville last night and after holding a post mortem examining the following to serve on the jury at an inquest: Nathaniel Simon, William McCormick, A. E. Hoad, John DeTemple, John G. Benton, Joseph Rie.

J. H. Junk is 70. J. H. Junk celebrated his seventieth birthday Saturday at his home in North Union township in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives. He is 55 years old, expended the charge in the back of a Union county. At noon an old fashioned picnic was served on the lawn. Mr. Junk is a member of the Union Farmers' Club of Fayette County.

FIRST ANNUAL PUBLIC SALE

OF LOMBARD FARM SURPLUS STOCK

Including Dairy Cattle, Swine Horses and Poultry

Thursday, Oct. 1st, 1914, At 1 O'Clock, P. M.

(A Lunch of Sandwiches and Coffee Will Be Served at Noon.)

Lombard Farm is in Franklin Twp., near Tippecanoe Sta.

FOURTEEN COWS AND HEIFERS.

We will sell on the above date FOURTEEN Guernsey Cows and Heifers, ranging in breeding from one-fourth Guernsey to purebred. For particulars concerning these cattle and their breeding, write W. H. Cooke, Uniontown, Pa., for descriptive circular.

The Guernseys are the gentlest of all breeds, give the most highly colored milk and hold the world's record for quantity of milk and butter fat produced in one year. The Lombard Herd is acclimated, tuberculin tested and is headed by the bull.

Waddington Sunrise (16815)

to be seen with his progeny at the sale. EIGHT COWS and THREE HEIFERS offered at this sale have been bred to this bull. Two of the Heifers are his calves. His ancestors are famous Guernseys; prize winners at the St. Louis World's Fair and on the Island of Guernsey. Among them are his sire, Marshall of France, 9051; Rutla's Sheet Anchor 5701; France's Jewell 2nd 1065; Sheet Anchor 2934.

HORSES.

One Bay Draft Mare, 8 years old, weight 1,500 pounds, bred.

One Black Percheron Stallion, Brilliant Charlie, weight 1,400 pounds.

SWINE.

Poland China and Chester White Pigs and Pigs. Seven Sows with pigs 6 weeks or younger, from Poland China registered boar, Coke Country Champion; 4 barrows weighing from 250 to 300 lbs. each.

Some Turkeys and Guinea's will also be sold; also some farm implements.

TERMS OF SALE

All sums of \$10 and under, cash. On all sums over \$10, a credit of six months will be given with approved security, with a discount of five per cent for cash.

COOKE & TURNER, Owners. GEORGE C. ALLEN, Auctioneer. GEORGE W. RHODABACK, Manager.

NEGROES HOLD UP MAN IN DAYLIGHT; ROB HIM OF \$3.75

Daring Robbery Is Perpetrated on West Park Bridge.

POLICE SEARCH THE COUNTRY

Scout Woods in Vicinity of Town, but Fail to Find Clue as to Whereabouts of Trio; One Cop Follows Fruitless Trail Close to Dunbar.

Three negroes held up and robbed Thomas Williams of \$3.75 Saturday in broad daylight on the bridge between Dunbar and Uniontown. They had followed Williams from a downtown hotel and when they reached the bridge two of the men grabbed him by the arms while the other went through his pockets.

Returned to town, Williams took a patrolman A. A. Geller to the scene and though he and Special Officer Philip of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad searched for three hours, no trace of the thieves could be found. Thinking that they might have gone to Dunbar by railroad, Special Officer Withers of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad searched for three hours, but no clue was found.

At South Conneltsville a boy told the officer that he had seen two negroes turn back into the woods and, instead of going through the town, Acting on this, the police searched the woods, but to no avail.

While paying a bill at the hotel this morning Williams pointed out to the officer that he had seen two negroes when he started across the bridge; they were standing against the railing and as he passed they grabbed him.

SUSPICIONS ARE COMPLY.

Leimon Man Directed to Pay Detention for Shadowing Wife.

UNIONTOWN, Sept. 14.—That Harry McNatt of Leimon must pay \$25 for shadowing his wife, was the decision of Justice of the Peace J. C. Reisinger, following a hearing in the suit this morning. Emma testified that he was employed by McNatt to shadow her to Conneltsville. Emma testified, "but the case was quashed when McNatt met her there himself."

Blows Himself Up.

Setting, three sticks of dynamite under his head and attaching a fuse, George Kelly, 55 years old, exploded the charge in the back of a Union county. At noon an old fashioned picnic was served on the lawn. Mr. Junk is a member of the Union Farmers' Club of Fayette County.

SOMERSET'S CIVIL WAR VETERANS HOLD REUNION

County Organization Meets in Rockwood and Endorses Neutrality Stand of U. S. in European Conflict.

ROCKWOOD, Sept. 14.—Notwithstanding the intermittent and drizzling rains of Sunday morning, the annual reunion of the Somerset county Civil War Veterans and Sons of Veterans was a success at Rockwood. The reunion was an unqualified success. The enlisted warriors of the Civil War met through the rain to the inspiring martial strains of the Somerset and Civil War songs, the procession led by Capt. L. S. Hinchman, Commandery No. 122, Eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Sons of Veterans, members of the county seat, and under command of a captain D. W. Taylor of 1911. The Rockwood camp had played concert morning and afternoon in honor of the visiting war veterans. Reproduction army ration, supplemented by seasonable delicacies, were served in the Snyder hall. The day of the reunion was a day of the reunion. The following officers were elected at the morning session of the County Veterans' Association: President, Joseph Walker; secretary, W. M. Marshall; and treasurer, C. A. Hoad, all of Leith. It was decided to hold the next reunion in August and at Leith.

The oldest Civil War veteran present was Capt. W. G. Grier, of the Somerset County, who served in the 11th Maine. He was 87 years old and was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Grier, who was 85 years old. The following officers were elected at the morning session of the County Veterans' Association: President, Joseph Walker; secretary, W. M. Marshall; and treasurer, C. A. Hoad, all of Leith. It was decided to hold the next reunion in August and at Leith.

2,489 PUPILS ARE ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

New Term Begins With More Than 100 Ahead of Previous Year.

Enrollment Smoother Than Anticipated on Opening Day, but Still Well Ahead of Last Year; New Pupils Will Be Reporting for Some Weeks.

According to the reports made to Superintendent of Schools S. P. Asch by the various ward principals, there are 2,489 pupils in the Conneltsville public schools. This will be materially increased as more pupils enroll, but even at that the school authorities say that the term starts out with at least 10 more than at the beginning of any previous school year. The figures given for last year, 2,424, were the high mark for attendance. The enrollment by buildings follows:

High School	455
Fourth Ward	417
Second Ward	370
South Side	318
West Side	311
Third Ward	261

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DEATHS.

Andrew Simpson, Leidenham, died Tuesday at his home at High House following influenza illness.

Mrs. Ella S. Smith, 61 years old, died at her home at West Leidenham following a short illness. The body was shipped to Cisterman for interment.

Mrs. Katie Vasek, 61 years old, died at her home at Leidenham following a short illness. The body was shipped to Cisterman for interment.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

New Developments in Beehive and Rectangular Coke Oven Equipment.

A number of new and interesting developments in equipment of beehive and horizontal coke ovens have come into the field during the past few years. Among these are the McMurtry door, the Campbell plastic clay lining and Campbell's plastic clay for lining and daubing coke oven doors. There are a number of different types of coke oven doors of which the leading ones are as follows:

McMurtry,
Knott,
Peters,
Humphries
Hay-Rule.

It has been customary to line all of these doors except the McMurtry door with fire brick of special shapes or blocks.

The McMurtry door, which is the invention of William McMurtry, superintendent of the Mount Pleasant

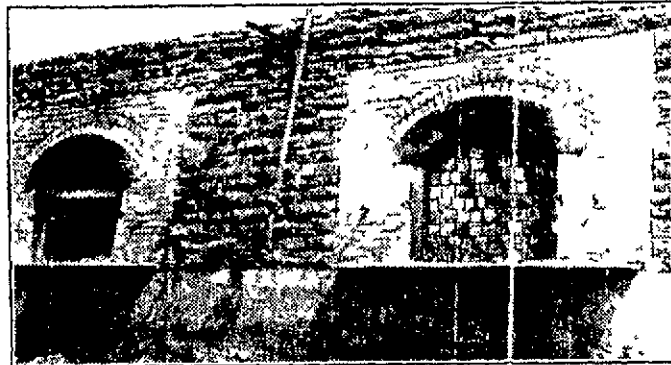


Fig. 1. The old and new way of lining beehive oven doors. The McMurtry door is shown to the left.

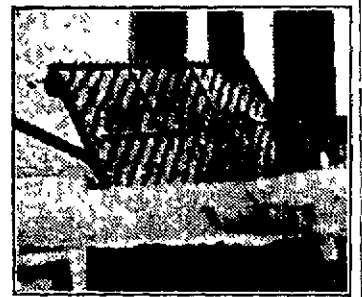


Fig. 2. The McMurtry door in place on a machine door.

Coke Company, is of solid cast iron with finger-like projections on the inside, which serve as retaining points for the fine clay daubing mixture.

Fig. No. 1 shows the inside of the McMurtry door. The projections are set in an upward angle and may be cast in place, but modifications of the ideal consist of rivets which can be renewed if the projections get broken off or burnt out.

Fig. No. 2 shows the door in place on a machine door. The door is cast in place, but modifications of the ideal consist of rivets which can be renewed if the projections get broken off or burnt out.

The McMurtry door is made for machine and beehive ovens. It is between 700 and 800 pounds, and the lining is made of fine clay daubing mixture. It can be installed in from \$15 to \$18 complete with rivets in place for handling. The H. C. Frick Coke Company has about one

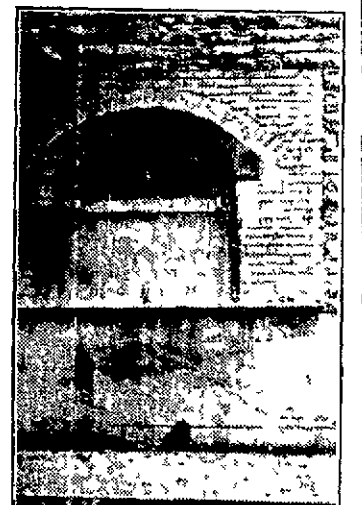


Fig. 3. The Stuart door, which is used by the Frick Coke Company.

dozen of these doors with the trolley system of handling. It is about 100 pounds and the results are very encouraging. It is said that this company is contemplating the installation of a large number of doors of this type in the near future.

In developing the McMurtry door it was necessary to find a suitable daubing mixture which would be sufficiently refractory and remain in place for a satisfactory period of time. It soon developed that the usual mortar made of the coke yard from loam, clay and gravel back bats, gave at best only a few months of service on account of its cracking and falling off causing hot spots on the iron frame. J. R. Campbell, chief chemist for the H. C. Frick Coke Company, became interested in the matter of a suitable lining for a door of this type. On account of the high grade materials going into the composition of this daubing mixture and the careful preparation that is necessary, he thought it should be made at the brick yards and not at the coke oven plant where there are usually no facilities for such work. The mixture contains high grade refractory material of brick and plastic nature with special binding material and is manufactured to withstand the high temperature and to prevent cracking which is the most troublesome defect in daubing mixtures.

Campbell's plastic clay mixture is shipped in the plastic and tamped state ready to be applied to the door. In the storage of this material it is necessary on the part of minor re-

pairs all that is needed is to bury it in a pit and keep it damp. It should be sprinkled occasionally with water and kept covered with a wet blanket or cloth or something similar. It must be well turned in the pit and if possible the dirt should be allowed to dry out before placed in service. However, if ordinary precaution is used it will be found in place while green.

The heat from the oven door is the main cause of the trouble without cracking and a large portion on the inside which resists wear.

At this writing, no doors have actually been lost through failure of the daubing from a hot refractory standpoint, but it has failed to stick to the projections on the McMurtry door.

Careless handling of the door or dropping them on the ends sometimes have knocked out a piece of the

lining should not exceed \$1.25 per oven. Experience to date shows that lining will last on year and it is not identical except in the fact that it will last two or three years with careful handling and a new one will not be needed. On this basis the cost of the clay lining per door is about \$1.25 per door.

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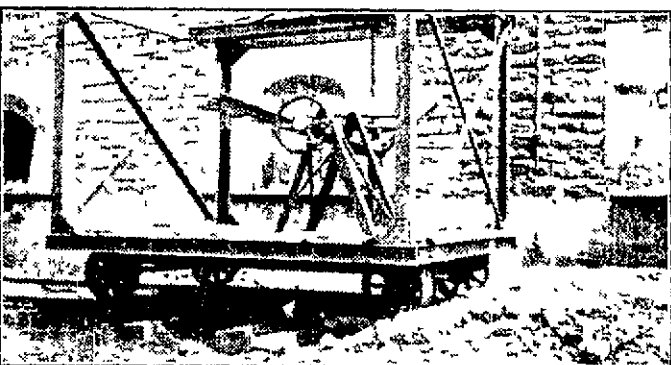


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RAILROADERS TURN OUT FOR BIG SAFETY FIRST MEETING

Pittsburgh & Lake Erie and Western Maryland Men Gather at Dickinson Room

Several hundred persons attended the Safety First rally at the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad Y. M. C. A. at Dickinson Room Monday night. A special train conveyed a large delegation from the Western Maryland and the Pennsylvania Railroad, and the meeting was a grand success.

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WILL DEVELOP COAL

Cambridge County Capital Will Open Mine at Rockwood

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MEN ARE LAID OFF

West Penn. Contractors Construction Forces Weeks' Layoff

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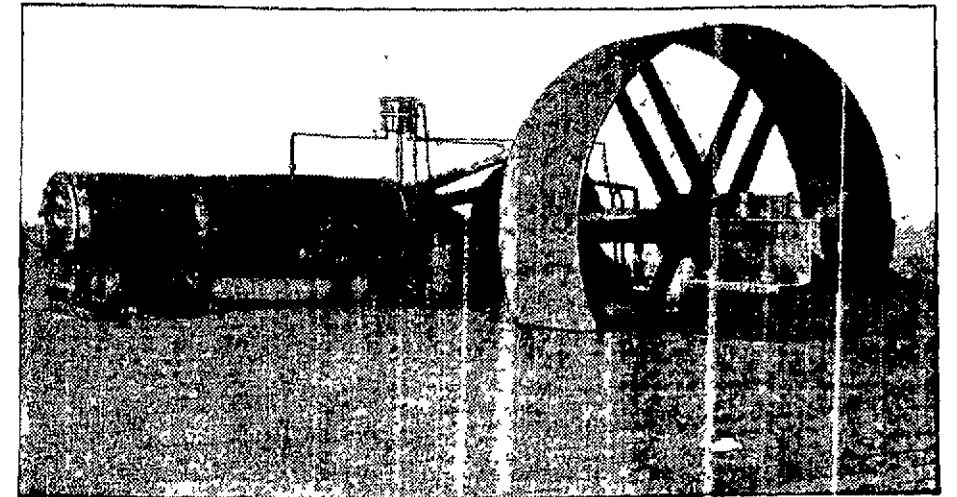
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